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It is reported that Ambassador V.S. Semenov received Otto Grotewohl on 17 February 1954 in order to discuss with him the holding of "democratic elections" in East Germany. [ ] Molotov is said to consider such elections an absolute necessity. While the bourgeois bloc parties in East Germany support the holding of free elections, Walter Ulbricht was allegedly dead-set against them. [ ] the Soviets had demanded that only the SED, NDPD, CDU, and LDP were to be admitted for these elections, while of the so-called mass organizations only the FDGB and the FDJ were to participate.

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